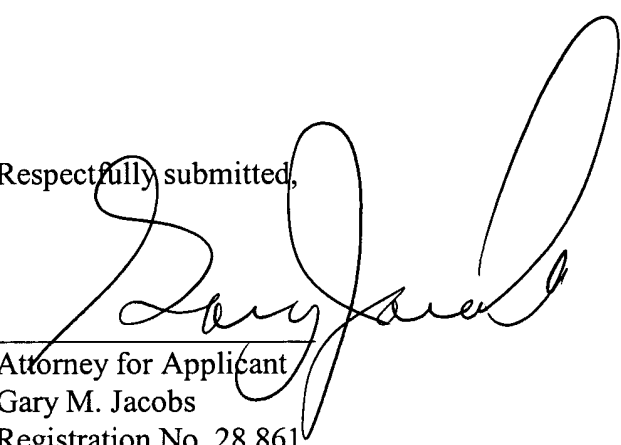


Remarks

Claims 1-5 and the specification have been amended solely to correct minor and typographical errors therein, such as the deletion of reference numeral "3" from page 11, line 11 because it is not illustrated in the drawings. As a result, this amendment is needed for proper protection and disclosure of the invention and would require no substantial amount of additional work on the part of the Office. Accordingly, this amendment satisfies the criteria for entry of MPEP §714.16 and such entry is respectfully solicited.

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